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term expires April 25, 1905.

WORLD'S-1903-FAIR

PALMA AND CUBA.

Senor Estrada Palma will probably have no objection to making a public statement of his political ideas and plans in answer to the request of certain Cubans, but it seems amazing that his countrymen are in any doubt as to Palma's position.

There is no man in Cuba, with the single exception of old Gomez, who has plished as much for Cuba as has Palms. His work in the United States as head of the Cuban Junta was of treus value to his country. It made

Nevertheless, it will in all likelihood agreeable to Senor Palma to outline itical programme. It is most cer-In to be full of the wisest and sanest mise of good to his country.

There may be certain oratorical "warors," with the presidential bee in their in bonnets, who will object to whatev er Palma advocates, but their objections ald be disregarded. Estrada Palma as the first President of the free and independent Cuban Republic would be the right man in the right place.

POINT IT OUT.

The Globe-Democrat still refuses to look at the books or to specify a particular crookedness in Missouri State

In the case of the Globe a specification is an essential to conclusive discussion. That paper is not sincere in its political attacks. An extended statemen of debt reduction would not be treated tiy. The Globe would go on with its howis, ignoring the figures. Give us a definite point. Examine the books.

Last year when the Globe began its baseless assault on the School Fund Mr. Shannon presented at length a straightforward and convincing account of the fund's investment. This was followed by other straightforward and convincing reditals of fact by Democrats and Republicans. The Globe went on with its unles as if no reply had been of-

Dealing with such a customer suggests a short tether. In what respect is the bookkeeping obscure? In what way has a dollar of the interest fund been converted to any other purpose? If not a dollar has been so converted how could there be obscurity in the process of debt payment?

Let the Globe-Democrat point out an the by the decision of which it will

FRAUDS AND PENALTIES.

Republican small-fry papers in Missouri are following the St. Louis lead in claiming that all sorts of frauds are concealed by a Democratic conspiracywhich embraces the Supreme Court-to prevent examination of the ballot boxes.

As The Republic has shown, the dection and punishment of the offenses which the Republicans usually designate as frauds do not have, and never could have had, any legal connection with a comparison of ballots and registration

A heavy reward and exhaustive ef forts enabled an organization of citizens ented by Messrs. James L. Blair and John D. Johnson to lay before the Grand Jury after the municipal campaign a few cases of election-law vicia-tion. In the Circuit Attorney's office an dented percentage of convic-

ished with more energy than ever before in the City of St. Louis.

central office registration and for the appointment of Election Commissioners, has not affected the provisions govern-ing the opening of ballot boxes. It has not taken away a penalty for fraud. It has not lessened the power of grand juries and prosecuting officers.

And yet the Republican fice-dog poor ticians are trying to persuade the outside world that St. Louis has a peculiar and outrageous election law, which protects criminals and conceals frauds.

JUDGMENT ON THE FACTS.

By the first day of January, 1903, the dawn of the World's Fair year, the State of Missouri will have paid off in full to the last dollar the bonded indebtedness of over \$20,000,000 which was saddled upon it by a corrupt Republican administration of State affairs.

The cancellation of this enormous lebt has been accomplished solely and exclusively by Democratic management, just as the contracting of the debt was accomplished solely and exclusively by Republican mismanagement. This contrast is earnestly commended to the attention of the people of Missouri.

There is a further expressive contrast. Under the Republican misrule which fastened this indebtedness of over \$20,-000,000 on the State, the taxpayers of Missouri were subjected to a tax levy just twice as great as that they have paid under the Democratic rule which has wiped out the indebtedness. In other words, it cost them double as much to contract a \$20,000,000 obligation as it did to discharge the same obligation. The one fact was due to Republican corruption. The other fact is due to Democratic honesty.

The Globe-Democrat, the organ of the Republican party of Missouri, is making a brazen show of indignation because a Democratic administration of Missouri's affairs has not more speedily wiped out the State debt. It does not, however, relish a mention of the fact that the debt itself was a Republican accomplishment, the one thing left to Missouri as a memorial of Republican rule. It contends that because Missouri Democracy has not extinguished the State debt before now, the voters of Missouri should return into power in the State the party which fastened the debt on the State. And all the time it knows that the extinction of the State debt by January 1, 1903, will be a splendid achievement, not surpassed in the his-

tory of public-debt paying. During the same closing period which witnesses the extinction by the Demoeratic party of the State debt fastened on Missouri by the Republican party the grand old Democratic Commonwealth will give \$1,000,000 to the World's Fair. a State appropriation of unexampled generosity. During the same period also, it seems apparent, the Globe-Democrat will continue its slanderous charges of "Democratic crookedness in the management of the State finances." It will offer no proof of the truth of its charges, It has refused point-blank to inspect the books of Missouri, thrown open for its inspection by Governor Dockery. It will simply keep up its campaign of slander. The people of Missouri must pass

judgment upon the Globe-Democrat. It is the most recklesely venomous par-tisan organ published in the United States. It assails the credit and the ble the carrying on of the Cuban as fast as it can concoct the lies. It is good name of the State with lies just against Spain to the moment when time to pass judgment upon this method evidence warranting judgment is no before the people.

THE GREATEST EXHIBIT.

Following the return to St. Louis of Mr. Frederick W. Lehmann, chairman of the World's Fair Committee on Ethnology and Anthropology, it Lecomes more than ever evident that a comprehensive and surpassing exhibit of the living peoples of earth is to be probably the foremost feature of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

It is not easily possible to say too much in favor of this vast undertaking. As the work progresses it will be found beyond all question that it excites more genuine and vital international interest, and creates more comment and conse quent advertising of the World's Fair of 1903 than any other department of World's Fair endeavor. And it is so typically a World's Fair enterprise in its take all they can get of it. very nature that it must surely appeal with irresistible magnetism to the men who are at its head.

The explanation of the vital interest inseparable from this exhibit is simple to a degree. There is nothing in which human beings are so deeply interested as the study of other human beings. Racial types, national customs, native ways of living, the very look and tearing of men, women and children of earth's various tribes, their habitations, at the World's Fair. their dress-all these things are of the profoundest concern to all of us. It is an instinct with us, there is no desire for instruction prompting it, although in-struction is inevitable; it is simply a human curiosity implanted in the mind of

every human being. The ethnological exhibit at the World's Fair may easily be made the marvel and admiration of the world. It should sound the very keynote of the World's Fair of 1903. The note is one which finds an instant response in the world's sentiment. It is the most supremely human appeal that can be sounded.

CHALKITIS.

There really is such a thing as "the brassy eye." Philadelphia physicians have discovered that this unknown quantity is not merely a psychical quality possessed by successful officeseekers after election. Men who want something that others do not wish to give have always thought that "the brassy eye" benged exclusively to the other fellow.

That day has passed. For some time hospital physicians of Philadelphia gave almost daily treatment to men working on the street railways of that city. The chief difficulty appeared when a small inflammation made the eye very red. In twenty-four hours the pain became intense. The vision was blurred. An exssive flow of tears followed. Oculists could not understand the strange dis-

Finally, one of the oculists on his torman take his hand from the con troller and wipe a bit of dust out of als

Republicans really mean by election eye. The next day the motorman was rauds have been pursued and pun- in the hospital. The mystery was solved. The motorman had poisoned himself with the verdigris from the brass han-The "Nesbit law," which merely adds die. The oculist promptly called the to the old law sections providing for new disease "chalkitis," or, in the vul-

gar, "the brassy eye." It is said that conductors are afflicted with "the brassy eye" oftener than motormen, especially those who are compelled to run along a footboard to collect fares. The constant gripping of the handles covers their hands with brass, which, coming into contact with the tender eye, immediately starts trouble.

Motormen who run past a corner where a half dozen passengers are waiting may really have "the brassy eye" in more senses than one. Conductors who refuse transfers may have the psychical "brassy eye." In that case, the only thing to be done is to wish that he may get the physical variety.

A CHANGE.

License Collector Whyte has undertaken a big job in attempting to readjust the license system of St. Louis Through many years of neglect, the revenues of the city have been minimized until the task of correcting matters is a large one.

Fortunately for St. Louis, Mr. Whyte has the entire confidence of tax-paying citizens in his efforts. Since April 10 he has increased the collections of his office over \$126,000 as compared with the corresponding period in the previous year. He has searched out license-tag frauds. He has put the office on the basis which it should have occupied long ago-a basis of business integrity and conscientious observance of the

He has displayed a broad-mindednes in discharging his duties that has earned the respect of every element of citizen ship. "Business in this office will be transacted without regard to wealth or social position. No one will escape," he says in an interview in The Republic.

That means much to St. Louis and its revenues. In the past, wealth, social position and political "pull" have kept thousands of dollars out of the city treasury. There has been a laxness in methods and execution that made the office a byword among business men. The complicity of officials with frauds has been all but proven.

Conservative estimates place the amount of increased collections for this year over those of last year at \$165,000. There is no reason why former Collectors could not have maintained a higher total. It is fortunate for the city that a trustworthy man is in the License Collector's office for at least one adminis-

IT IS WORTH STUDYING.

It would be strange indeed if a thoughtful study of the management and features of the exposition now in progress at Glasgow, Scotland, should not prove of the greatest practical value to the management of the World's Fair to be held in St. Louis in 1903.

This same Scottish city of Glasgow is one of the most remarkable municipalities in the world. Whatever it does, it does better than other cities. It is the best governed city on earth. Its municipal revenue is derived from its public franchises. It is hardheaded and practical to a degree, yet it possesses also a distinctive school of painters which has taken high rank in the world's art. It seems to have a gift for the highest achievement.

Logically, the Glasgow Exposition should typify this remarkable ability. There ought to be much to learn from a this Government took a hand and freed of conducting political warfare. The And there is no unpractical side to the Glasgow Exposition, it would seem. It has already paid for itself in three months, and has still three months to run. It might be well for the Louisiana Purchase Exposition management to pay some attention to the Glasgow Ex-

Democratic Missouri is paying its bonded indebtedness ahead of time and yet giving \$1,000,000 to the World's Fair. Does the Globe-Democrat content that this proves its charge of Demo cratic crookedness in the managemen of the State finances?

Under Democratic control, Missouri in augurates franchise taxation by a \$10,-000,000 increase in the asse railroad properties. If this is the "Democratic crookedness" charged by the Globe-Democrat the people will, gladly

License Commissioner Whyte is a re former who does his work without playing to galleries. Just the same, he is gaining the heartlest sort of a hand from the gallery, the balcony and the parquet.

It will tremendously stimulate the world's curiosity to know that living types of every human race in the world will be seen in their native environment

It takes four and one-half bushels pe capita of wheat a year to feed the United States. Even after that is stored away, this country can send 300,000,000 bushels to Europe.

Pension Commissioner H. Clay Evans has come near being scalped so often that he probably anticipates the coming G. A. R. encampment with fewer tremors than usual.

That legal fight between a Missouri and an lows college of osteopathy promises to bring about a mighty rattling of dry bones.

Men may come and men may go in railroad companies and steel trusts, but the combines continue doing business at the old stands.

If names were harmonized at the City Hall, the lower branch of the Municipa Assembly would be called the House of

It seems strange, in view of his years of patriotic service, that Cuba is in doubt as to Estrada Palma's patriotic If the Globe-Democrat has its way Missouri's schools will be run on a two-

per-cent-revenue basis of starvation and License Collector Whyte's record of saving the city \$126,000 up to date is a

ent Missouri Democratic record. China exports 11,000,000 fans anthat number at the baseball park.

MISS HELEN DOUGLAS TO MARRY GEORGE H. MILLS.

Miss Julia Donaldson Becomes the Bride of Charles P. Eberle-Visitors at the Summer Resorts Return Home.



MISS FANNIE B. GARLOCK. Daughter of Doctor and Mrs. S. E. Garlock, who is spending the summer at the

and Mr. George A. H. Mills has been made known to their friends the last few days. Miss Douglas, who lives in Chester. Ill., with her grandmother, has been a frequent visitor in St. Louis, and spends much of her time with her aunt, Mrs. Dyer. She will be one of Miss Clemence Clark's bridesmaids in September.

Mr. John H. Boogher returned Monday

The East. The bride wore a costume of ecru creps with white chiffon, and carried a bouquet of white roses.

An interesting feature of the wedding yesterday was the announcement of Mr. George Eberle's engagement to Miss Theresa Rose Schmitz of Evansville, Ind. This wedding will not take place until February. Miss Schmitz is visiting the family of her fiance, having come over for the wedding of vesterday.

Mr. John H. Boogher returned Morday from a short stay at Reil's, on the Mississippi above Alton, and departed last night for Wisconsin, where he will join Mr. Harry Hawes on a fishing trip.

The river resort, Reil's, is frequented by folly party of St. Lowleans, just at present

a jolly party of St. Louisans just at present. Major and Mrs. George H. Hughes are there, also Doctor and Mrs. Scherk, Miss Glazebrook, and Miss Altheimer. Miss Annie Shilling of Cleveland avenue

Mrs. D. White and Miss Josephine White of Helena, Ark., are guests at the resi-dence of Mr. H. E. Ritchey, No. 396 Rus-

has been entertaining Miss Gertrude Acker of Jarvis, Mo.

Doctor M. P. Engman has joined his family at Higman Park, Mich., for a fort-night's stay. They will return the first week in September.

Mrs. George Williard Teasdale and children returned last night from Charle-volx, where they have spent the summer.

The marriage of Miss Julia Donaldson, daughter of Mrs. John L. Laden, and Charles P. Eberle took place yesterday afternoon at half after 4 o'clock at the Church of the Holy Angels, the Reverend Father Keilty officiating. Miss Kate Eberle was bridesmaid and Joseph S. Eberle best man. Only relatives were present, a large reception having preceded the ceremony at the home of the bride several nights ago. A supper followed last evening after the services, and then the bride and bride-

for the wedding of yesterday

Judge and Mrs. Withrow have returned from an outing in California.

Mrs. Alexander Douglas and Miss Rita Maxon have returned from Cobourg, Can-ada, and various Eastern resorts. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas will go to Atlantic City the first week in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Garrison will depart this week for Atlantic City for a short

Miss Florence Newton is spending the summer in the Pennsylvania mountains. Miss Margaret Price of St. Louis is a ruest at the Robinson cottage at Weque lonsing.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wagner are amor late arrivals down on the Massachusetti coast near Buzzard's Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lacy Park of Evans avenue have gone to Buffale and New York for a lengthy visit. Mrs. A. Manewal and the Misses Manewal, who have been on the Atlantic sea-coast all summer, are recent arrivals at Cape May.

Thomas C. Hennings, who went West two weeks ago, is now in Salt Lake City for a

short stay. Miss Katherine Keiffein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Keiffein of Castleman av-enue, Sunday returned to St. Louis after a month's visit to Michigan and Wisconsin

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS AT THE ST. LOUIS WORLD'S FAIR.

National Government Will Present a Book Exhibit That Will Be a New and Distinct Feature of the Great Exposition - Plans Now Being Perfected.

The Republic Bureau, 16th St. and Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, Aug. 20.-The library of Congress, with its 2,500,000 books, intends to e represented at the St. Louis Exposition is it has never been before. Heretofore no effort has been made to ex

hibit the valuable stores of this great li-brary, because of the desire to keep them always in custody of the National Government. Since the books have been housed in the present magnificent building, acof them has been simplified; and Librarian Putnam intends that the wealth of this vonderful collection shall be represented at St. Louis.

To-day Mr. W. C. Cutter, one of Mr. Putnam's aids, had a talk with Acting Direc-tor Fox of the Bureau of American Repub-

BLOOMINGTON PIONEERS DIE.

nent German-American and ex-Street Com-

Mrs. Clayton Ballinger, wife of a Chenoa merchant, died from an attack of cancer. She was prominently related in Pooria County, and the burial will be there. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

DIES IN INDIAN TERRITORY.

FORMER EDITOR DEAD.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Carlyle. Ill., Aug. 20.—The death of Frank
Lietze, formerly editor of the Democrat,
published in this city, occurred last night
in West Baden. The remains were brought
here this evening for interment.

RAY STAHL.

Fort Smith, Ark., Aug. 20.—Ray Stahi died here to-day at 4 p. m., at the age of 89 years. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. 8. F. Stahi, his father being United States Marshal of the Western District of Arkansas. The deceased was very popular and was a leader in the younger society element of the city. His death was due to typhoid-maiaria fever, contracted ten days ago. His parents and a sister and brother survive him.

CARTHAGE PIONEER DEAD. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Charleston, III. Aug. 20.—William S. Snyder, our of the oldest residents of this city, is dead. He was hern in Floyd County, In-

lies, who is a member of the Government Board of Management, as to the best steps for arranging the library exhibit. Mr. Cutter desired to know if it would be to have a special appropriation by Congress to cover expenses of this exhibit, or to have a portion of the amount set apart for the

lovernment exhibit. Mr. Fox suggested that there would necessarily be a large appropriation made, and it might be as well to have merely a clause n the general appropriation set apart sufficient for the Lbrary.

Librarian Putnam will work out the de-tails of the library exhibit before Congress meets, and there is no doubt that in this display St. Louis will be able to present another unique and most interesting feat ure-one which has not been seen at any other exposition.

Charles Tramp, Patrick Toomey and Mrs. Margaret Fenton.

Bloomington, Ill., Aug. 20.—Death came suddenly to-day to Charles Tramp, a prommissioner. He was aged II and came to Bloomington forty-six years ago, being an employe of the city most of the time sirce. Patrick Toomey and Mrs. Margaret Fen-ten, well-known Irish-Americans, and for many years local residents, are dead, at an advanced age

Little Rock, Ark., Aug. 29.—John T Fletcher, son of the late Mayor H. L Fletcher, died this afternoon of Bright' disease. He was 28 years of age and mar

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Carlyle, lit., Aug. 20 - Mrs. A. B. Wood, formerly a resident of Keyesport, died in Lester, L. T.

RAY STAHL

diana, in 1823, and has been identified with Charleston's growth for half a century. He was a brickmason by trade, and there is hardly a building in the city he had not worked upon.

worked upon.

POLITICAL EXILE FROM GERMANY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Pacific, Mo., Aug. 20.—Rudolph Sticker, one of the last survivors of the political exiles from Germany to the United States of 1848, met a tragic death at his home near this place this afternoon. He fell from a stepladder and broke his neck, causing death almost instantly.

Deceased was a prominent citizen, of unswerving loyalty to his adopted country.

FOUNDER OF MILWAUKEE CHURCH.

Milwaukee, Aug. 20.—A telegram, received Milwaukee, Aug. 20.—A telegram, received to-day from Colorado Springs, Colo., announces the death in that city of Father Grutza, founder of St. Josaphat's Church in this city, which was recently dedicated by Mgr. Martinelli. Father Grutza was well known in Catholic circles throughout the country. His death resulted from pulmonary disease.

Carthage, Ill., Aug. 20.—Miles Alton, one of the pioneers who came from New York in a wagon and settled in this county, died to-day, aged 77 years.

CAMP LINCOLN DISCIPLINE.

Two Men Discharged From Guards for Breach of Rules.

REPUBLIC SPEATALA

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 20.—Colonel Culver is insisting upon strict military discipline at Camp Lincoln, and this morning he resorted to extreme punishment for violation of his orders. Two members of the regiment were dishonorably discharged from the service for remaining out of camp after taps without permission. Another enlisted man, who was absent from roll call without permission, was placed under arrest and made to do police work about camp throughout the day. day was devoted to routine work, the

Second Battalion spending the time upon the rifle range, while the First and Third battalions were engaged upon the parade ground. Captain Whipple, regimental in-spector of rifle practice, says the work of the men on the range is better than ever be-fore, and he expects a number of them to

BASIS OF THE REMARKABLE INCREASE IN LOCAL CAPITAL

Rapid Development of Bank and Trust Company Business in the Past Five Years and the Rise in the Value of Stocks.

During the past year the most notable movement in St. Louis finance has been the increase in volume of capital and the rise in market quotations of stocks of banks and trust companies. The increase in market value amounts to \$14.69,000. This remarkable situation has led to innumerable inquiries as to the healthiness of the movement. Most persons who have kent truck ment. Most persons who have kept track of the steady increase have asked whether it was a natural adjustment to business re-

of the steady increase have asked whether it was a natural adjustment to business requirements or a mere ephemeral rush into an overworked field. At the request of The Republic, Mr. Breckinridge Jones of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company gives the business conditions which have developed the local agencies for operating capital, Mr. Jones said for The Republic yesterday:

"There has been a wonderful development in all lines in St. Louis additions and undivided profits of all banks and trust companies in St. Louis amounted to about \$2,000,000. The increases increase in business was made in 1900 in the manufacture of proprietary and patent medicines than in any other business in St. Louis.

"In the manufacture of proprietary and the manufacture of tobacco, St. Louis.

"In the manufacture of tobacco, St. Louis continues to lead the world. The gain in business last year, as shown by the internal revenue returns, was larger than ever, The number of pounds of tobacco manufactured during the fiscal year showed an increase of about 29 per cent.

"The growth in the volume of the cigar business was made in 1900 in the manufacture of tobacco, St. Louis.

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"In this connection, some statements from the last annual report of the secretary of the Merchants' Exchange may be interest-ing, as showing the increases in the business

of St. Louis during the year 1500.

'The capital invested in the wholesale dry goods business, including in the term millinery, silks, notions and kindred lines. increased during the year about 30 per cent, while the increase in the volume of business was greater than this.

Manufactures.

"The increase in the capitalization of the shoe manufacturing and wholesaling business in St. Louis was 40 to 50 per cent. The actual increase in the number of men employed in this line of manufacturing alone was about 25 per cent. business was from is to be per cent.

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being at least 30 per cent.

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hardware, architectural iron, bridge build-

"The saddlery and harness business of St

leading part in financing the many rail-roads and other great works of internal improvements in its trade territory. The recent acquiring of control by St. Louis investors of the Mexican Central Railroad. vestors of the Mexican Central Railroad, and of the Frisco system, including the Fort Scott & Memphis and the Memphis & Birmingham and Fort Worth & Rio Grande Railroads, adds new uses and outlets for St. Louis money.

"Much home capital is being used in developing neighboring lead and zinc fields, which are netting millions of profits annually.

shoe manufacturing and wholesaling business in St. Louis was 40 to 50 per cent. The actual increase in the number of men employed in this line of manufacturing alone was about 25 per cent.

"The increase in the wholesale hardware business was from 15 to 20 per cent, the increase in the bulk, or tonnase, for the year being at least 30 per cent.

"The increase in the business of heavy hardware, architectural iron, bridge build-nardware, architecturing alone of this country, now aggregating over \$500,000 annually, is naturally, shown in the prosperity and continued development of the great and productive Mississippi Valley, the great and productive Mississipp

PLAYHOUSE FAVORITES.



ETHEL BARRYMORE Said to be the most popular newcomer on the American stage. She made her first distinct St. Louis impression in an English comedy, "His Excellency, the Governor," at the Olympic Theater two years ago.

THE MARKET QUESTION.

A Cheerful Prospect.

To the Editor of The Republic.
St. Louis, Aug. 19.—The high price of po-tatoes in the St. Louis market is nearly over. Next week, or within a fortnight at

over. Next week, or within a fortnight at the latest, ample supplies of Western irrigated and Northern potatoes will be in this market at greatly reduced prices. Not only will they be lower in price, but of far better grade than the drought-injured product of the Mississippi Valley.

Meats must reach a lower range of values. Packers and butchers are carrying such heavy stocks, and the live-stock holdings of the country are so enormous, that free seiling at lower prices will be necessary to keep the people from turning, in a large degree, to cheaper nutritious foods.

Bread is cheap and will continue to be to the end of the crop year. The immense wheat crop guarantees this.

wheat crop guarantees this.

Fall crops of forage and the hay harvest saved early in the aummer guarantee good milk and butter at reasonable prices, so that, with the staples within reach of all. extortion will be out of the question.

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 19. R. J. E.

Dozen Substitutes.

To the Editor of The Republic.

St. Louis, Aug. 19.—Soup, beef-bone soup, with rice, is a nutritious feature for the winter menu. Canned meat can be used in place of tomatoes, and the housewife who knows her business can contrive a dozen other substitutes for canned vegetables.

Vegetables are a luxury in winter, not a

MARY L. M. A Sorry Outlook. To the Editor of The Republic.

Vegetables are a luxury in wir

St. Louis, Aug. 19.-It is the part of the philosopher to advise people "not to worry," whether it be over the price of meat and vegetables or anything else. But your optimistic correspondents in this morning's paper carry the practice to excess. While paper carry the practice to excess. While it may not do any good to worry over such things, it may do much good to give them serious consideration. The poor man will, this coming winjer, have to prepare to pay increased rent bills, increased grocer's bills, and, perhaps, increased clothing and shoe bills. Finding fault will not solve the problem; economy may only partly solve it. The thing for the poor man to do, it seems to me, is to increase his earnings. While rual estate owners, coal dealers, butchers, grocers and merchants generally are getting mose for their goods, the worker, who

has to keep close account of receipts and expenditures, must get more for his goods—labor—or find himself in a hole. It's all right to "say nothing and saw wood," as one of your correspondents advises; but that would only affect the coal bill. The unfitness of wood, even when well and thoroughly sawed, as an article of steady diet and wearing apparel would seem to merit prompt recognition.

J. L. S.

A Beef Club. A Beef Club.

To the Editor of The Republic.

Ferguson, Mo., Aug. 20.—It is, of course, very dry here, and some of the farmers who get their mail at this post office are a trifle worried about the coming winter, but the majority of them are now inclined to take an optimistic view of the situation. There is a rumor to the effect that a "beef club" may be organized, the members of which will kill a beef alternately and distribute fresh meat among all members. Such a plan would afford plenty of godmeat at a reduced figure, and who would need canned goods when nice steak can be had at such a reduction?

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Potatoes Will Be Cheaper. Potatose Will Be Cheaper.

To the Eikar of The Republic.
St. Louis, Aug. IS.—I read the good winter fare suggestions in a recent issue of The Republic, and while the subject is being discussed I want to make a suggestion. There is a probability that the potatoes will be much cheaper when the crops from neighboring Stares come in, but, if the price does not change, macaroni would make a delightful substitute for this staple. Necessity has always been the mother of invention, and I, for one, am not worrying about the winter. My husband is a wage-earner, too.

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WILL OPEN IN KANSAS CITY.

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There to Start a New Play.

"A Modern Crusoe" Company, which opens the season at the Olympic September 1, passed through St. Louis last night en route to Kansas City, where the season will be opened next Sunday night.

Mr. Sydney Rosenfeld, the author of the play, has come on with the company to give his personal supervision to the production of his comic romantic play.

St. Louis was the birthplace of this author's most successful work. "The Senator," which W. H. Crane originally produced here. Mr. Rosenfeld is in hopes that Mr. Seahrooke, who has abandoned somic opera for the legitimate, will diplicate Mr. Crane's phenomenal spectrum in the new years.